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AMENDMENT UNDER CFR 35 1.312

Pursuant to the telephone call between Chris Ramos, myself and the Examiner on February 4, 2004, the agreed upon amendment is presented below to clarify wording in the claims.

In the Claims, please amend as follows:

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line 6, Replace "that" with "than--"

line 7, Before "desired" delete "a"

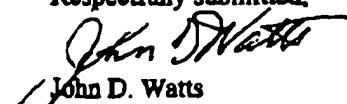
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Please enter. In claim 3: line 5, before "dimension" delete "in"

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Applicant requests that the claims be amended as marked, and that the application be issued at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,


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